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## Veterans to Graduate from Lebanon VA Medical Center Domiciliary Equine Program 4 Veterans Complete 8 Week Therapy Program

## For Immediate Release

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**What:** Lebanon VA Medical Center is proud to announce that 4 Veterans will be the first

graduates of the Equine Therapy Program at Stony Farm Stables

Who: Lebanon VA Medical Center Representatives, Stony Farm Stables Staff and

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Who Sponsored the Program

When: Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Stony Farm Stables

30 Martin Drive

Reinholds, PA 17569

## Background:

Lebanon VA Medical Center opened a new Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Center earlier this summer. The new \$7.4 million dollar 22,219 square feet 43 bed facility provides state-of-the-art, high quality residential rehabilitation and treatment for Veterans. The program offers more than 70 different options for Veterans to engage as a part of their therapy. The Veterans graduating from the Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program are the first to do so since the program was created.

The Reinholds VFW sponsored the creation of this program in cooperation with Stony Farm Stables. The VFW also purchased a horse to be used specifically for Veterans in the program.

Lebanon VA Medical Center Director and CEO, Robert W. Callahan, Jr. states, "This demonstrates the power of community. Members of the VFW, VA and Stony Farm Stables heard what Veterans said they needed, and so, we created it. We listened, acted, and delivered. I am very proud of these four Veterans, our staff, the VFW and the good people at Stony Farm Stables."

**RSVP:** Media interested in attending should RSVP to <u>VHALEBEventsRSVP@va.gov</u> or call 717-272-6621 x 5634.